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SUBJECT: POMPIDOU VISIT TO PRC

REF: PARIS 16677

1. QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ASIA, DUZER, TOLD EMBOFF
THAT THE PREPARATIONS FOR POMPIDOU'S VISIT TO CHINA WERE
ALMOST COMPLETE. POMPIDOU WILL TRAVEL DIRECTLY TO AND
FROM CHINA WITH ONLY REFUELING STOPS. HIS STAY IN CHINA,
SEPTEMBER 11 TO 17, WILL BE SPENT ALMOST ENTIRELY IN PEKING,
BUT HE WILL MAKE ONE EXCURSION TO THE COUNTRYSIDE. DUZER
COMMENTED THAT POMPIDOU WAS MORE INTERESTED IN CONVERSATIONS
WITH THE LEADERS THAN IN TOURISM. ALTHOUGH THERE HAD BEEN
NO AGENDA FOR THE VISIT OF THE PRC FOREIGN MINISTER, CH'I
P'ENG-FEI, TO PARIS, AN AGENDA HAS BEEN WORKED OUT WITH
THE PRC FOR THE POMPIDOU TALKS, AND DUZER EXPECTS ONLY
SLIGHT MODIFICATIONS AS THE TIME FOR THE VISIT APPROACHES.
THE AGREED AGENDA, PROVIDES FOR A TOUR D'HORIZON OF WORLD
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PROBLEMS AND SINO-FRENCH BILATERAL RELATIONS. THE LIST

OF WORLD PROBLEMS CONTAINS NO SURPRISE, AND THERE IS NO INDICATION YET THAT THE PRC WILL SHOW THE SAME "OBSESSION" WITH THE SOVIET UNION WHICH CHARACTERIZED CH'S CONVERSATIONS (REFTEL). AMONG BILATERAL PROBLEMS, ECONOMIC AND TRADE QUESTIONS WILL BE MOST IMPORTANT.

2. DUZER CONSIDERED THAT THE VISIT SHOULD GO AS SMOOTHLY AS THE PREPARATIONS FOR IT; HE NOTED THAT THERE WERE NO REAL SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS BETWEEN THE PRC AND GOF.
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